crime prevention and control, transportation, recreation, housing and neighborhood improvement, rural development, and community improvement.

- (e) For the purpose of paragraph (d)(2) of this section, "low-income residents" means—
- (1) Residents whose taxable family income for the year before the year in which they are scheduled to receive assistance under the LEAP Program did not exceed 150 percent of the amount equal to the poverty level determined by using criteria of poverty established by the United States Census Bureau; or
- (2) Residents who are considered low-income residents by the State.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070c-2, 1070-4)

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How Does a State Select Students Under the LEAP Program?

§ 692.40 What are the requirements for student eligibility?

To be eligible for assistance, a student must—

- (a) Meet the relevant eligibility requirements contained in 34 CFR 668.32; and
- (b) Have substantial financial need as determined annually in accordance with the State's criteria approved by the Secretary.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070c-2, 1091)

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§ 692.41 What standards may a State use to determine substantial financial need?

(a) A State determines whether a student has substantial financial need on the basis of criteria it establishes that are approved by the Secretary. A State may define substantial financial need in terms of family income, expected family contribution, and relative need as measured by the difference between the student's cost of attendance and the resources available to meet that cost. To determine substantial need, the State may use—

- (1) A system for determining a student's financial need under part F of title IV of the HEA;
- (2) The State's own needs analysis system if approved by the Secretary; or
- (3) A combination of these systems, if approved by the Secretary.
- (b) The Secretary generally approves a need-analysis system under paragraph (a) (2) or (3) of this section only if the need-analysis system applies the term "independent student" as defined under section 480(d) of the HEA. However, for good cause shown, the Secretary may approve, on a case-by-case basis, a State's need analysis system that uses a definition for "independent student" that varies from that term as defined in section 480(d) of the HEA.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070c-2)

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Subpart B—Special Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership Program

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§ 692.50 What is the Special Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership Program?

The Special Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership (SLEAP) Program assists States in providing grants, scholarships, and community service work-study assistance to eligible students who attend institutions of higher education and demonstrate financial need.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070c-3a)

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§ 692.51 What other regulations apply to the SLEAP Program?

The regulations listed in §692.3 also apply to the SLEAP Program.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070c-3a)